

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Barbecue is a unique way of preparing meat, either directly or indirectly over a heat source using wood and/or charcoal; and,

Whereas, The personality of the individual smoker is expressed through the preparation and presentation of barbecued meat products; and,

Whereas, The olfactory senses of anyone in the vicinity of a barbecue in process will be tantalized beyond reasonable limits, and choosing to partake thereof will bring a taste experience like no other; and,

Whereas, The cooks involved in the competition, based on their performance, will be entered into the draw to compete on a national level at the Jack Daniels Invitational, American Royal Invitational, and the Great American Barbecue Contest; and,

Whereas, The state of South Dakota has traditionally been known for its high quality beef, pork, and chicken products, and this contest will highlight such products; and,

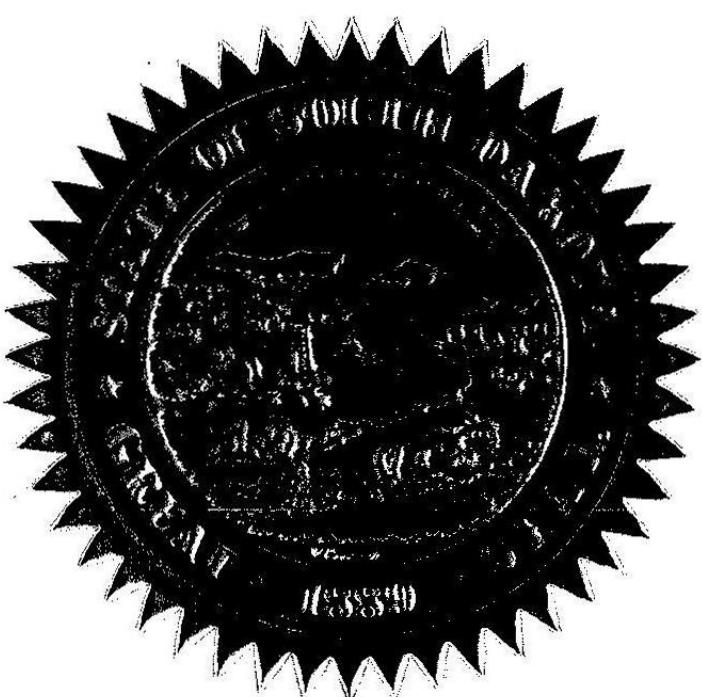
Whereas, This barbecue contest is a nonprofit event with any and all proceeds to benefit the South Dakota State Fair Foundation; and,

Whereas, The second year for this competition will take place in Huron, South Dakota, and will be held the first full weekend in June:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 7, 2008, as

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP BBQ COOK-OFF DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

A handwritten signature of M. Michael Rounds in black ink.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

A handwritten signature of Chris Nelson in black ink.

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State